hybridization and improve our seedling tables, an idea he diligently fostered in his presidential years, with marked success. Today the unbloomed seedlings available for future shows can be counted in the thousands, and I know for sure there are quite a number of beauties being (secretly) readied by vegetative propagation to enhance their Sunday blooming possibilities, and it is even possible they just privately have an eye on the Donaldson Memorial Award, which I hope will further the interest in hybridization to such a great degree that our seedling judges and the Donaldson committee will be scratching their heads and sitting up nights.

We believe it timely you read again your 1966 Fall issue of the Seed Pod, or borrow a copy, for instructions in seed making and offer here for your consideration some additional hints for your success.

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(1) Failure of a hibiscus cultivar to set seed often is due simply to the complete absence of any embryo seed, or of only tiny, unviable, or immature specks, in the seed chamber. It is obvious mature seed cannot ever be expected on plants of this hereditary deficiency. Before using any prospective cultivar a sample bloom should be examined by cutting down through the center of the calyx, and possibly comparison with a known seeder.

(2) As you know in your hibiscus bloom five pollen tubes from the seed ovary chamber in the base of the flower extend upward above the style like five fingers and hold the stigma pads. When these projecting tubes are well defined, but short and stocky a good seeder is indicated, whereas if they are especially protruded, or fragile, or if they are not present with the pads imbedded in the style, then fertilization may be unlikely.

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